

Feb. 4, 1946  
124, Craig St.  
Jackson, Miss.

Dear Mr. Manley:

Your letter came a few days ago. I was very glad to hear from you and my last season team mate, Mr. Brown. I would like to play base ball with you are any manager who wants to help young players and give them a chance to make money. I am 6' 2" tall weight 185 lbs. stripped age 26. I don't drink or smoke, was born Dec. 13, 1919. I am a right hand pitcher. I have two children a wife and a mother to support. I am a presser at Wellons Cleaners. My home phone # is 2-2168.

You can contact my mother sisters or me at any time. Hope to hear from you soon. There is only one thing I would like to ask you and that is about the pay if I make the team. How much was paid to your lowest paid man last year and how much was paid to your highest paid man? Hope to gain your help every one friendship and good wishes. ans. soon

Respectfully yours  
Rufus Lewis